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Information Review & Release (IRR) News for 14 May - 18 May 2001
Executive Summary

Immediate Calendar:

(U//~~AIUO~~) **11 July 2001: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Liaisons' meeting at NARA, Washington, DC.

Future Planning Calendar:

(U//~~AIUO~~) **26 July 2001: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Principals' meeting at EOB, Washington, DC.

(U//~~AIUO~~) **17 June 2001: Historical Review Panel (HRP):** Next meeting at CIA.

(U//~~AIUO~~) **October 2001:** The Automatic Declassification Date per Executive Order 12958, as amended, for unreviewed general material older than 25 years.

(U//~~AIUO~~) **April 2003:** The Automatic Declassification Date per Executive Order 12958, as amended, for unreviewed intelligence-related or multi-agency records.

Overview of IRR Activities Last Week:

(U//~~AIUO~~) **Litigation**

(U//AI~~UO~~) Amnesty International Sues Agency under FOIA for Information on the 'Pepes'
(U//AIUO) Amnesty International sued the Agency recently for not responding to its Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking records about the Colombia organization known as the 'Pepes,' -- Perseguidos por Pablo Escobar or, People Persecuted by Pablo Escobar. In a previous FOIA request submitted by Amnesty International for the same material, the Agency responded with the Glomar response,

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(U//~~AIUO~~) **FOIA Requests**

(U//A~~IUO~~) National Security Archive Asks for Publications About Colombia
(U//AIUO) The National Security Archive submitted requests for "copies of all editions of the CIA Counterterrorist Center's Terrorism Review from 1978 to the present as they relate to Colombia" and "copies of the International Narcotics Review, a monthly publication of the CIA's Crime and Narcotics Center, from 1978 to the present relating to Colombia."

- *With regard to the request for copies of the Terrorism Review, the FOIA case officer provided 419 pages of previously released material from the Management of Officially Released Information (MORI) database*

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(U//~~AIUO~~) Journalist Seeks Documents on Lockheed Martin and Comsat
(U//~~AIUO~~) A free-lance journalist who claims to write regularly for "*U.S. News & World Report* , *Business Week* , et. al", requested information for a story he is currently working on involving "the financial underpinning of the Lockheed Martin acquisition of Comsat on 3 August 2000; Comsat profits generated by Intelsat and Inmarsat; the criminal plea agreement entered into by Electromechanical Systems Inc., a Florida subsidiary of Comsat, on 17 July 2000; Lockheed sale of Comsat Mobile to Telenor (or Norway) on 27 March 2001; financial operations of Comsat

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subsidiary Belcom."

- *The FOIA case officer advised the requester of the foreign intelligence mission of the CIA and referred him to the FBI for further assistance. (Note: the FOIA case officer referred the requester to DOJ, DOD, Commerce, and FCC.)* (b)(3)

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- *The FOIA case officer advised the requester to contact the Air Force and the Defense Prisoner of War/Missing Personnel Office regarding his request for documents originating from other agencies. The remainder of the request was accepted* (b)(3) (b)(5)

(U//~~AIUO~~) Requester Seeks Information on 1963 Submarine Disaster
(U//~~AIUO~~) A Connecticut requester asked for information relating to "the USS Thresher, a nuclear powered submarine that sank on April 10, 1963." (b)(3)

- *The FOIA case officer referred the requester to the Department of the Navy for further assistance.* (b)(3)

(U//~~AIUO~~) OIM Declassification Center

(U//~~AIUO~~) From the Archives: Albania in 1950 Not a Worker's Paradise
(U//~~AIUO~~) In an Information Report dated August 1950 recently reviewed and redacted by the DO team at the OIM Declassification Center, the DO described the internal situation and working conditions in Albania as less than ideal. In Albania, workers who committed minor mistakes at the workplace received very heavy penalties, for example, workers who were one hour late lost ten days' pay, and those absent without notice suffered six months' compulsory labor without pay. For a second instance of absence without notice, a worker was turned over to the secret police and charged with sabotage. (b)(3)

(U//~~AIUO~~) From the Archives: DDCI Cabell Struck by the Absence of Clock Watchers at CIA
(U//~~AIUO~~) DDCI Charles P. Cabell addressed a group of students on 3 November 1953. In the notes from that meeting, which were recently reviewed by the DCI team at the OIM Declassification Center, the DDCI stated he was struck by "the great devotion to duty" and "the absence of clock watchers" at the CIA. He commented on the "unusually high motivation" of CIA employees and declared, "I don't believe that I have ever seen a group more dedicated to the tasks that face them and more selfless in their desire to serve and get their jobs done."

- *DDCI Cabell was an Air Force General who served as deputy to DCIs Allen Dulles and John McCone from 23 April 1953 to 31 January 1962.* (b)(3)

Charles Pearre Cabell

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